

## SENATE BILL No. 451

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### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 25-35.6-1-7.

**Synopsis:** Emergency communication disorder permits. Allows the department of education to issue an emergency communication disorder permit to an individual to serve the needs of certain students who are eligible for speech and language services. Makes technical corrections.

**Effective:** Upon passage.

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January 11, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1       SECTION 1. IC 25-35.6-1-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.157-2006,  
2       SECTION 75, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2006, SECTION 480,  
3       IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON  
4       PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) The **division of** professional standards ~~board~~  
5       **established within the department of education by IC 20-28-2-1.5**  
6       **(referred to as "the division of professional standards" in this**  
7       **section)** may issue the following:

8           (1) An initial license as a speech-language pathologist only to an  
9           individual who is licensed as a speech-language pathologist under  
10          this article.

11          (2) A renewal license as a speech-language pathologist to an  
12          individual who was licensed by the professional standards board  
13          before July 1, 2005, and who is not licensed as a speech-language  
14          pathologist under this article.

15       (b) The **division of** professional standards ~~board~~ shall issue a  
16       license as a speech-language pathologist to an individual who:

17           (1) is licensed as a speech-language pathologist under this article;



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and

(2) requests licensure.

(c) A speech-language pathologist licensed by the **division of professional standards board** shall register with the Indiana professional licensing agency all speech-language pathology support personnel that the speech-language pathologist supervises.

(d) The **division of professional standards board** may not impose different or additional supervision requirements upon speech-language pathology support personnel than the supervision requirements that are imposed under this article.

(e) The **division of professional standards board** may not impose continuing education requirements upon an individual who receives a license under this section that are different from or in addition to the continuing education requirements imposed under this article.

(f) An individual: ~~who:~~

(1) ~~if:~~ **who:**

(A) **if** the individual is a speech-language pathologist, receives a license under this section or received a license as a speech-language pathologist issued by the professional standards board before July 1, 2005; or

(B) **if** the individual is an audiologist, works in an educational setting;

(2) **who** has been the holder of a certificate of clinical competence in speech-language pathology or audiology or its equivalent issued by a nationally recognized association for speech-language pathology and audiology for at least three (3) consecutive years; and

(3) **who** has professional experience as a licensed speech-language pathologist or audiologist in a school setting that is equivalent to the experience required for a teacher seeking national certification by the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards;

is considered to have the equivalent of and is entitled to the same benefits that accrue to a holder of a national certification issued by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

**(g) The department of education may issue an emergency communication disorder permit to an individual, as necessary, to serve the needs of students who are eligible for speech and language services under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.).**

**SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.**

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